

The Examiner's objections/rejections will now be addressed seriatim.

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Specification

The objection to the omitted application serial number has been obviated by this amendment and can be withdrawn. Action to this end is respectfully requested.

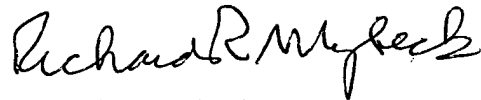
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35 USC §112

The Examiner's objections to several of the claims pursuant to §112 have been duly noted and the Examiner's most helpful suggestions are greatly appreciated. Pursuant to those suggestions, the claims against which objections were lodged have been amended and appropriate replacement pages are attached hereto for placement in this file.

All claims are now believed to be in condition for allowance and action to that end is respectfully requested and early urged.

Respectfully submitted,



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